## IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claim will replace all prior versions and listings of claim in the present application.

## Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended)A video server for distributing a digitized video content, comprising:

means for determining whether or not a video content requested from a terminal is stored in said video server;

means for transmitting a transmission request to another video server for transmitting said video content in accordance with ~~the HTTP protocol~~Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) when the video content requested by the terminal is not stored in said video server; and

means for receiving the video content transmitted from the other video server in accordance with the HTTP ~~protocol~~, and transmitting the video content to said terminal in accordance with Internet Protocol (IP) multicast.


2. (currently amended)A video server according to claim 1, wherein: said transmitting means further includes means for transmitting the video content received from the other video server to said terminal in accordance with the HTTP ~~protocol~~.


3. (original) A video server according to claim 1, further comprising:

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means for storing and managing the video content received from the other video server.

4.      (original)      A video server according to claim 1, wherein:

said transmitting means includes a plurality of buffers, buffer selecting means, and a reference time generator;

said transmitting means detects a random access point in image information, and stores the image information up to the next random access point in one of said plurality of buffers; and

said buffer selecting means selects, from among said plurality of buffers, image information which has not been transmitted and has a time stamp equal to or smaller than a reference time generated by said reference time generator, and indicates the selected image information to said transmitting means.

5.      (currently amended)A video server according to claim 2, wherein:

said means for transmitting a video content to the terminal in accordance with the HTTP ~~protocol~~ establishes a plurality of logical transmission paths between said terminal and said video server, and utilizes said plurality of logical transmission paths for transmitting image information.

6.      (original)      A method of distributing a video content in a video server, comprising the steps of:

receiving an audience request from a terminal;

determining whether or not a requested video program is stored in said video server;

transmitting said video program to the terminal when the requested video program is stored in said video server; and

accessing to another video server when the requested video program is not stored in said video server to request said other video server to transmit the video program, and transmitting the received video program to the terminal.

7.    (currently amended)A video distribution method according to claim 6, wherein:

the video program from the other video server is received in accordance with Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)the HTTP protocol, and the video program is transmitted to the terminal in accordance with IP multicast or the HTTP protocol.

8.    (currently amended)A program for distributing a video in a video server, said program including codes for executing the steps of:

receiving an audience request from a terminal;

determining whether or not a requested video program is stored in said video server;

transmitting said video program to the terminal when the requested video program is stored in said video server; and

accessing to another video server when the requested video program is not stored in said video server to request the other video server to transmit the video

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program in accordance with <u>Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP)</u>~~the HTTP protocol~~,
and transmitting the received video program to the terminal.

Claims 9 and 10 (canceled).